

TRIVANDRUM CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND INDUSTRY

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Trivandrum Chamber of Commerce and Industry (TCCI) demanded that the Kerala State Road Transport Corporation (KSRTC) to reconsider the timings connecting Trivandrum International Airport(TIAL) with Cochin International Airport(CIAL) so as to be fair and impartial while scheduling trips to Airports in the State from other Districts.

TCCI was reacting to a KSRTC schedule from Trivandrum Airport to Cochin International Airport and vice versa.

"Presently the KSRTC service from Trivandrum to CIAL is aptly timed for the flights from Kochi to the Middle-East, and can only be seen as a feeder for CIAL. The return schedule from CIAL too matches the arrival of Middle-East flights at Kochi and does not favour TIAL in anyway said S N Raghuchandran Nair, President of TCCI.

"There was almost 40% migration of passengers from Thiruvananthapuram (TIAL) to CIAL earlier due to better air fares and connectivity. While TIAL is attempting to ensure competitive fares and improved connectivity, KSRTC's target should be to maximise revenues and must operate services from Tirunelveli, Kanyakumari, Kollam and Pathanamthitta Districts to TIAL syncing with outbound and inbound overseas flights, he added.

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